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The CASE of JOHN WOODHOUSE,  
Esq; of *Bridewell Hospital*, one of the  
Directors of the *East-India* Company.

IN the Autumn of 1775, he was seized with a violent cold, or influenza, which continued some months, then fell on the bowels and brought on a constant purging. He took the advice of eminent physicians, and found relief, but not a cure. In the spring following, as the complaint increased, he went to Bath, drank the waters, took such medicines as were judged proper, and bathed three or four times; by which means the disorder seemed somewhat abated;—in July went to the German Spa, where he continued three months, during six weeks of which time he received benefit from the Geronsteer water, but then the disorder changed to a dysentery; which was removed by medical assistance. He went on with the waters, and was rather better; but relapsed in the winter, and continued equally bad for seven or eight months.

In June 1777 he returned to Spa, and drank the Savaniere waters, which had a good effect for a month, then grew worse, tried former medicines to no purpose, and was obliged to leave off drinking the waters; but bathed in the mineral bath

bath of Tonolet made warm; and in the natural hot baths of Chaude Fontaine, without any benefit: the dysentery daily increasing, with much pain he returned to England, quite emaciated and feeble.

In September, upon the encouragement given him by a worthy gentleman in the neighbourhood of Nevil-Holt, Leicestershire, (a Member of Parliament) and by the advice of Dr. Garrow, of Barnet, he went to try the waters of Nevil-Holt, first in small quantities, as an alterative, increasing the dose gradually, from a pint to three or four: they acted as a purgative, in a greater or less degree, according to the number of glasses drank, and more than answered his most sanguine expectations: for though no other opening medicine could be taken without manifest prejudice, the briskest operation by these waters did not in the least degree relax or weaken, but braced and strengthened him. In six weeks the dysentery was cured, and the purging greatly abated, and continued so during the winter in London, where he drank that water pretty constantly. In 1778 he spent two months at Nevil-Holt, drinking the water at the fountain head, got perfectly cured, and returned home in good health, and has recovered his flesh, strength, and spirits, and so continues, 1780.

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W. OWEN.